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Indiana Workforce Investment System:

In June, the State of Indiana's Department of Workforce Development was awarded a National Emergency Grant to provide training and workforce investment services to the former employees of ATA Airlines for ITA's up to \$6,000 plus supportive service funding. This grant is designed to assist eligible affected former ATA employees with obtaining long-term employment in high demand occupations in the State of Indiana. The grant has been designed to leverage existing core and intensive service resources while providing supplemental funding for training and supportive services to eligible workers. The Department is expecting that core, staff assisted core and intensive services are to be provided through the regular formula Dislocated Worker allocations while training and supportive services will be funded through the specialized NEG funds.

The purpose of this communication is to advise you of this grant, the availability of funds to provide services to these workers and to apprise you that a packet has been sent to each of the identified affected former ATA employees inviting them to visit their local WorkOne office to start the eligibility determination and service delivery processes. The packet also mentions the degrees, credentials and other WorkOne services that will be available to them.<sup>1</sup> I have attached a copy of that letter for your reference. It is the Department's expectation that all ATA workers be provided with the full range of workforce investment services up to and including, occupational skills training as appropriate for their individual circumstances.

The Department understands and appreciates how busy the offices are with their current customer caseload. Although participants may utilize any WorkOne office, we are encouraging them, where possible, to use the new office at College Park (8910 Purdue Road, Suite 320 Indianapolis, IN 317-228-0682). This newer office can handle the increased caseload and we encourage staff to refer them there, especially when their home office may be experiencing unusual wait times, etc. Any performance related questions can be addressed by Amy Rubeck at 317-233-6078 or

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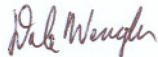
<sup>1</sup> We have included MindLeaders courses in this packet. The training for WorkOne employees begins 8/7-8/8. If a customer requests one of these courses, please let them know that the availability will be the following week.

The Department's analysis indicates that most former ATA employees reside in either Region 5 or Marion County. The Department anticipates awarding grants to each Region providing services to ATA workers on a proportional basis. Specific guidance on the grant award process will be forthcoming.

The Department shall also issue guidance regarding the service delivery and recording of services via a Technical Assistance Bulletin in the near future. This Bulletin will identify the appropriate NEG funding stream and give instructions for the NEG eligibility determination process.

Any questions regarding this grant or communication may be directed to Amy Rubeck at

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dale Wengler", is positioned above the printed name.

Dale Wengler  
Deputy Commissioner  
Policy & Field Operations